

ABSTRACT

"A method for detecting microorganisms, and a support used in such a method"

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This invention concerns a method for detecting the presence in a sample, contained in a sterile receptacle, of at least one microorganism (aerobic or anaerobic), the sample being in contact with a culture medium. The invention also concerns a support which can be used in such a method.

The method consists in:

- adding into the receptacle at least one sterile, inert, solid support,
- incubating at a suitable temperature, and
- monitoring the variation in at least one characteristic related to the presence of the microorganism(s) to be detected in said receptacle.

The invention is particularly applicable in the field of diagnosis.